

**BOARD OF ENGINEERS
OF
WESTERLY FIRE DISTRICT
180 BEACH ST.
WESTERLY, RI 02891
SEPTEMBER 13, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Chief Mackay at 7:01 pm. Asst. Chief Trebisacci was absent. Also present was Kim Dawson of Dawson Group.

Ms. Dawson spoke to the Board in reference to the possibility of the Westerly Fire District billing insurance carriers for motor vehicle accident responses. She left a proposed contract for our review. Fees paid would be approximately ten percent of the monthly collected billings. After a question and answer period the Board asked for time to review the proposal. No action was taken. Ms. Dawson left the meeting at 7:39 pm.

Motion made by Asst. Chief Morrone, seconded by Asst. Chief Fusaro approve the minutes of the August 30, 2016 meeting. Motion passed unanimously, 3-0.

Motion made by Asst. Chief Morrone, seconded by Asst. Chief Fusaro to pay the bills of the evening. Motion passed unanimously, 3-0. The following bills were paid:

Paul Cornelius 100 100.00

EZ Waste Systems, Inc. 402 104.00

Town of Westerly-sewer-water 402 726.44
Unifirst 402 49.99
AT&T 403 43.17
Chase 403 9.99
Verizon 403 132.60
Griggs & Browne 407 83.00
Town of Westerly-sewer-water 407 195.85
Ginger's Service Station 501 204.28
Ginger's Service Station 502 696.43
Ginger's Car Wash 504 14.00
Minuteman Trucks, Inc. 504 764.13
New England Fire Equipment & Apparatus 504 135.98
Westerly Auto Parts 504 322.29
Power Resources Inc. 603 250.00
Chase 702 36.50
Chase 801 88.81
Chase 802 576.00
Chase 803 110.00
Chase 900 1,228.05
RIAFM-Chief Mackay 900 30.00
Shipman's Fire Equipment 1201 3,761.50
Witmer Public Safety Group, Inc. 1202 104.57
Chase 1500 426.88
FedEx 1500 65.02
Office Depot 1500 145.94
Quill.com 1500 26.98

Staples 1500 28.86

Vision Government Solutions-postage 1500 2,877.00

Chase 1600 98.76

Chase 1800 250.86

ConnRi 1800 285.45

Ginger's Service Station 1800 27.11

McQuade's Ace 1800 21.99

Chase 2700 73.35

Stillman Uniforms 3000 62.00

Globalstar 9400 61.10

Verizon 9400 105.40

Asst. Chief Fusaro reported the fall training schedule was posted.

Asst. Chief Fusaro reported after fit testing a total of 71 masks would be needed. The folder of the tests is on the Secretary's desk in the Chief's office. Chief Mackay would review.

Asst. Chief Fusaro asked the status of the repairs to Ladder 1. Chief Mackay reported the bumper was just ordered. He hoped it would be complete by the next Board meeting.

Asst. Chief Fusaro reported he had received an e-mail from Michael Nenna about a medical issue that has left him unable to do his truck checks.

Asst. Chief Fusaro asked if the repairs to the ladder bay were going to be done. Chief Mackay reported Cagin Concrete is waiting for the saw cutter to be available.

Asst. Chief Fusaro asked about the computer for the telemetry unit

for the air packs. Chief Mackay is still researching whether a tablet or lap top will be easier to use.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported the motor and transmission of old Engine 1 have been removed and will be sent for rebuilding. Mechanic Paul Cornelius is having old Engine 1 brought to Station 2 for cleaning and painting of the Engine compartment prior to it being put in storage.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported Foreman Sam Homsy is continuing the drivers' training schedule started this month into October due to positive turnout.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported the Clambake Committee asked if four complimentary drink tickets would be appropriate. The Board agreed. Chief Mackay reported the YMCA is agreeable to the Westerly Fire Department using the house they own on High St. They require a hold harmless agreement and asked if we would publicize the use. The Board agreed.

Chief Mackay is contacting manufacturers aerial apparatus so we may begin the process of creating specifications. Asst. Chief Fusaro stated we should look to come up with pros and cons of the current truck and a wish list to see what is available.

Chief Mackay reported new legislation is being introduced with regards to air monitoring during fires of an industrial nature. He would keep the Board informed

Chief Mackay attended the Hazmat-Decon meeting. Response districts are being drawn for both hazmat teams and decon teams for response purpose and providing backup.

Chief Mackay reported the Officers' meeting will be September 25th at 9:00 am. Asst. Chief Fusaro asked if we would meet to discuss our expectations for the company officers. The Board will wait until Asst. Chief Trebisacci returns from vacation.

Chief Mackay will be getting dates for the Christmas party, Ladies Night and Old Timers' night.

Chief Mackay asked if Board members had any thoughts on the proposal for the Vet's trailer. Asst. Chief Morrone felt the Vet's officers should be present when we give them a decision.

Chief Mackay reported the replacement of the furnace began today.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported the Knox box at Schonning Insurance is too high to reach and the fire alarm is over a year out of date. Chief Mackay would have both situations corrected.

Asst. Chief Morrone reported the call on Potter Hill Road with wires down was dangerous. Power was still in the lines fed from the other direction. He asked to be placed on the training schedule to make members aware.

Money Collected by the district:

Plan Review-commercial	150.00
Smoke Inspections	210.00
Beacon Mutual reimbursement check	5536.00

Agenda for the next meeting

Approval of the Minutes of the September 13, 2016 meeting

Bills for the evening

Any Business properly brought before the Board

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

2nd Assistant Chief Joseph Fusaro